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1. HOUSE VOTES. LARGE COVERAGE WITHOUT COMMENTARY TO 5/10
HOUSE VOTES DEFEATING CUT OFF OF KOREAN AID. STORIES NOTE
VOTES FOLLOWED JAWORSKI'S CRITICISM OF ROKG ON KIM DONG-JO
ISSUE AND INCLUDE DETAILED CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS LEADING TO
BREAKDOWN OF NEGOTIATIONS. ONLY REACTION SO FAR IS FORMIN
STATEMENT (REPORTED SEPTTEL).

2. FORMIN PRESS CONFERENCE. BULK OF FORMIN'S REMARKS
DIRECTED TOWARD DETAILED CRITICISM OF HUA/KIM POSITIONS
ON KOREA ("UNREALISTIC/IRRATIONAL") AND URGED RESUMPTION
OF NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE. ALSO EXPRESSED FEAR THAT FAILURE
TO APPROVE CONTINENTAL SHELF BILL IN DIET COULD POSE
"DIFFICULT SITUATION" WITH JAPAN, AND ACCUSED TOKYO
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CONTROVERSY RAISED BY THOSE JAPANESE POLITICIANS
OPPOSED TO CONTINENTAL SHELF ACCORD. FORMIN
REPORTEDLY SAID ROKG "FLEXIBLY EXAMINING" TRIPARTITE
PROPOSAL BUT SEES SMALL CHANCE IN VIEW OF NORTH KOREAN
REFUSAL.

3. CEAUSESCU. MODERATE COVERAGE TO REUTER'S REPORT

CEASSESCU TO VISIT PEKING 5/15 AND EXPECTATION ONWARD
TRAVEL TO PYONGYANG.

4. KOREAN TANK. REUTER'S CITES USG SOURCES REPORTING
DOD AND US MILITARY/INDUSTRIAL FIRMS TO HELP KOREAN
IN PRODUCTION OF "SEVERAL HUNDRED" TANKS.
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